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1. Tanganyika: The implications of Monday's army mutiny are still not clear. The troops claimed they were interested in pay increases and the removal of British officers. They reaffirmed their support of the government once these demands were met.

However, the mutiny brought to the surface latent anti-white and anti-Asian sentiment in the African population which led to much rioting and looting.

Defense Minister Kambona, who also runs foreign affairs, bore the brunt of negotiations with the mutineers. Kambona is an ambitious, radical nationalist who is as opportunistic as they come. His stock has gone way up at the expense of moderate President Nyerere. The latter's whereabouts throughout the mutiny is still the best kept secret in East Africa.

As far as we know there were no casualties among the American and British communities in Tanganyika and at the moment the UK is veering away from intervention.

2. Zanzibar: The situation has quieted down; President Karume, the nominal leader of the new regime, has a strong following among the Africans on the island. The chief concern is that, in the

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long run, he will prove to be no match for the
wiliier Babu [redacted] Babu
is now Minister of External Affairs and Trade. He
has long been the mainspring of Communist activity
in Zanzibar.

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The key to the country's future may well rest
with Kambona of Tanganyika. His role in the Zanzi-
bar affair is not clear [redacted]

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[redacted] On the request of Karume
and Babu, Kambona has sent Tanganyikan police to Zan-
zibar to help restore order and disarm Field Marshal
Okello's thugs. They have already had some success
in this.

3. Cyprus: The mutual animosity between Greek
and Turk Cypriots continues to lead to scattered
incidents and to threaten the delicate balance on
the island.

[redacted] In Istan-
bul the Turkish police expect anti-Greek violence
if the London conference fails.

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There is no indication yet from London that
any progress is being made. Makarios says he will
take the issue to the UN if no agreement is reached.
He is dead opposed to having NATO get involved in
the problem in anyway.

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4. South Vietnam: The government's efforts to put momentum into the war against the Viet Cong are still not going well.

The regime is failing to capture enthusiasm in the northern part of the country. Local officials there, who face undercurrents of religious tension and student restiveness, are receiving little guidance and are exercising little initiative.

In the Delta, where strong direction is also lacking, the Viet Cong are maintaining a relatively high level of harassment and terrorist action.

Within the ruling junta, sentiment is growing for the replacement of Prime Minister Tho in order to centralize the military leadership which is now diffused in Tho's civilian cabinet.

5. Jordan Waters: We are not at all certain how long the moderate decisions of last week's Arab Summit meeting will stick.

If anyone rocks the Arab boat it will be the Baathist extremists in Syria. The Syrians took the most extreme positions on the Jordan issue at the Cairo meeting. The cold shoulder Nasir gave them there seems likely to have left them in a belligerent mood.

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6. The China Tangle: Spaak has told us that Belgium has no intention of following the De Gaulle lead on China at this time; neither will Canada according to Prime Minister Pearson.

We do not yet have a good feel for how the former French colonies in Africa will react. Some of them will undoubtedly follow suit, though most have been reluctant in the past to move at the expense of Taipei. There is also going to be pressure on Japan to follow the French.

It appears generally agreed, in any case, that French recognition will give the Chinese Communists a much better chance in the UN next fall.

7. India:

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8. USSR-Cuba: Khrushchev in a speech last Friday went out of his way to align the USSR with the Cuban demand for the return of Guantanamo. Castro has probably been badgering the Soviets about Guantanamo as a result of the Canal Zone rioting.

This speech of Khrushchev's could be the opening gun in a new Soviet propaganda and diplomatic offensive designed to isolate the US on the Guantanamo issue.

9. Ecuador: Ex-President Arosemena's revolutionary plotting is gathering steam. [redacted]

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10. Bolivia: Leftist Vice President Lechin is still on the warpath over moves by President Paz to pack the presidential nominating convention of the ruling MNR party to Paz' advantage. [redacted]

[redacted] Lechin may form a common front with other opposition parties. [redacted] Paz will try to maintain himself in power whatever happens.

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11. Haiti: US Ambassador Timmons was finally allowed to present his credentials to President Duvalier last Tuesday. Duvalier told Timmons that the success of his mission depended on the rapid resolution of "four political problems," but failed to say what they were. Duvalier's references to these "problems" have been highlighted in the local press. Timmons thinks this may indicate that the regime is preparing the public for some new initiative against the US.
12. Brazil: Another round of political tension is starting in Brazil amid renewed charges by both the right and left that Goulart is planning to seize greater powers.
13. Malaysia: The following is a summary of developments relating to Attorney General Kennedy's trip so far. The President is probably aware of most of this.

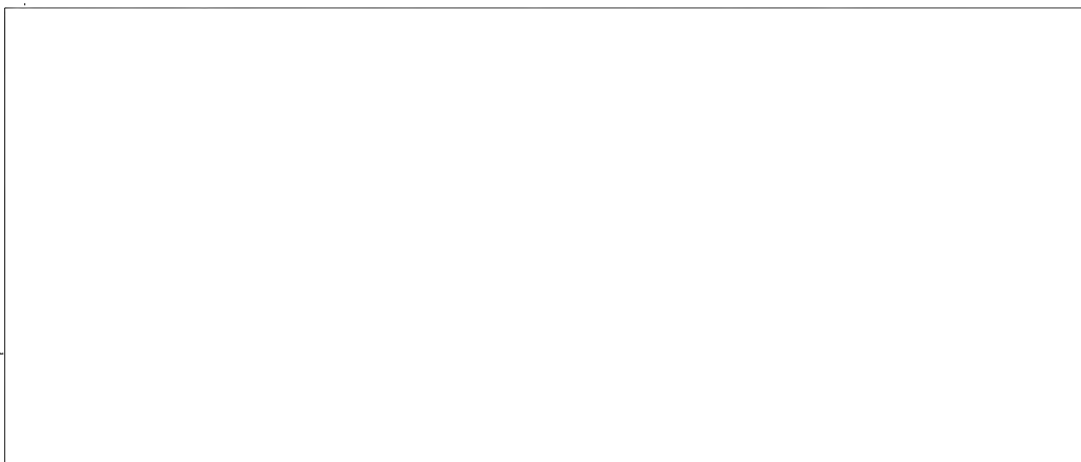
In Tokyo, Sukarno agreed to stop military activity in Borneo as a preparatory step to a tripartite meeting of Indonesia, Malaysia, and the Philippines.

We have received nothing official on Mr. Kennedy's talks in Manila. The press says he received a pledge of "full cooperation" from Macapagal regarding a tripartite meeting in the near future.

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[REDACTED] The Malayan Times reported today that Rahman and Macapagal had agreed to meet in Phnom Penh between 15 and 20 February.

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We have no official information as yet on Mr. Kennedy's talks in Kuala Lumpur. The press reports his initial bid for Malaysian agreement to tripartite talks was unsuccessful. It was expected that Rahman would be sticky because his position has been that he would not talk with Sukarno until Indonesia recognized Malaysia.

The British are being noncommittal, but obviously are extremely dubious that Sukarno will live up to any agreement he makes.

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